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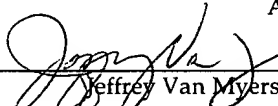
In re Application of:
Lan Ngoc Vu
Serial No.: 09/917,412
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the Internet

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Examiner: M. Pollack

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SIR:


In the Office Action of 11 January 2005 ("Office Action"), the Examiner required Applicant to restrict the subject Application to the invention represented by the claims in either Group 1 (claims 1-6) or Group 2 (claims 7 and 8).

Election

On 6 January 2005, I was contacted by Examiner Pollack to discuss a restriction requirement relating to the claims in this case. In the Office Action, the Examiner has provided a summary of that discussion.

In response to the Office Action, Applicant hereby elects to restrict prosecution in the present Application to only the claims in Group 1, namely, claims 1-6. Applicant hereby cancels claims 7 and 8, prosecution on which shall be resumed upon timely filing by the Applicant of a divisional application based on the subject Application.

Respectfully submitted,
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